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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Academic achievement is very important in obtaining employment, a promotion or higher compensation in employment, or admission to a prestigious institution. It is likewise important when presented in connection with any profession or occupation. It is imperative, therefore, that such academic achievement be obtained only through the efforts of the person claiming it as his or her own, and not the work of people he or she just paid to write his or her dissertations, theses, term papers, essays, reports or any other assignment.

Hence, this bill seeks to make it unlawful for any person to sell, offer to sell, purchase or offer to purchase any material either written or provided through electronic media which will be submitted by a student as his or her own work to any university, college, academy, school or other educational institution, or to a course, seminar or degree program held by such institution.


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1 any person any material either written or provided through electronic media which the buyer
2 intends to submit as his or her dissertation, thesis, term paper, essay, report or other assignment
3 as a requirement of any university, college, academy, school or other educational institution, or
4 of any course, seminar or degree program held by such institution.

5 SECTION 5. *Penalties.* – Any person found guilty of violating the preceding Section
6 shall be punished by a penalty of imprisonment of *arresto menor*, or a fine of not more than Ten
7 Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00), or both, at the discretion of the court, taking into consideration all
8 attending circumstances.

9 SECTION 6. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision or part hereof, is held invalid or
10 unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain
11 valid and subsisting.

12 SECTION 7. *Repealing Clause.* – Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive
13 order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent
14 with the provisions of this act is hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

15 SECTION 8. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
16 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

17 Approved,

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